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**GALOSH ABM ACTIVITY
SARY-SHAGAN MTC LAUNCH COMPLEX B, USSR (SWN)**

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1. **SIGNIFICANCE:** TWO ABM-1B GALOSH LAUNCHES, PROBABLY FROM A SINGLE LAUNCHER, OCCURRED TWO HOURS AND THIRTY ONE MINUTES APART AT THIS FACILITY. (TSZ)

2. **REMARKS:** TWO ABM-1B GALOSH MISSILES WERE LAUNCHED AT 1801Z AND 2032Z (DEFSMAC K/DQ/1037-83 AND K/DQ/1038-83). BOTH LAUNCHES WERE PROBABLY FROM SURFACE LAUNCH PAD C2. AT 0829Z, THE EARTHEN AREA BEHIND THIS LAUNCHER WAS DISTURBED AND THE LAUNCH PAD WAS DARK. A GALOSH MISSILE CANISTER WAS HORIZONTALLY ENGAGED IN THE LAUNCHER. THE CANISTER, WHICH DID NOT HAVE THE CHARACTERISTIC DARK TONE OF A SPENT CANISTER, WAS PROBABLY ENGAGED IN THE LAUNCHER AFTER THE SECOND MISSILE LAUNCH. SURFACE LAUNCH PADS C1 AND C3 DID NOT APPEAR DISTURBED. AT LAUNCH SILO C4, THE SILO DOORS WHICH WERE OPEN WERE CLOSED; THE EXHAUST DEFLECTOR RINGS THAT WERE ON THE SILO APRON WERE NOT PRESENT. THESE RINGS WERE PROBABLY PLACED INSIDE THE SILO. THE LACK OF BURN MARKS AROUND THIS SILO INDICATES THAT A LAUNCH DID NOT OCCUR FROM SILO C4. AT LAUNCH SILO C5, A TRUCK-MOUNTED CRANE WAS BACKED UP TO THE CANVAS-COVERED SILO APERTURE. OTHER VEHICLES AND EQUIPMENT WERE ALSO AROUND THE SILO. THE SILO EXHAUST DEFLECTOR RINGS AND THE SILO DOORS WERE IN THE SAME POSITIONS AS THEY WERE ON 4 AUGUST. ALTHOUGH A BURN MARK WAS AROUND THE SILO FROM AN EARLIER LAUNCH, THERE WAS NO INDICATION THAT A LAUNCH CAME FROM THIS SILO (TSZ)

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LAUNCH COMPLEX B IS THE RESEARCH/DEVELOPMENT AND CREW TRAINING LAUNCH COMPLEX FOR THE GALOSH ABM SYSTEM. (SWN)

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3. COORDINATES 46-01-01N 072-28-09E (S)

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